

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Hazel Dell

AND/OR COMMON

Noyes- Archer House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Vale Road

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mrs. Victor P. Noyes

Telephone #: 838-5255

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Vale Road

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

— VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code

21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 683 267

Folio #: 299

STREET &amp; NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This easterly-facing structure is of an imported style, inherent to the area of western Virginia and eastern Tennessee, where the builder was from. The walls are constructed of board-and-batten frame on this U-shaped building, and it sits upon four separate, high stone cellars. The cellar wall is topped by a wooden water table. Overall, the house is eight bays across and four deep, with a rather large assortment of window types. Most of them, including all of those long openings along the eastern exposure, are 4 X 4 and have shutters. The sunporch has five 9 X 9's with a 3 X 3 over the doorway. The northern and southern sides and the wings have 2 X 2 and 3 X 3 glasses, as well as three-pane attic openings. Almost all of these windows have been replaced. Double opposite doors are oriented east-west, possessing three-pane side-lights and five-light transoms. Another door, with a four-light transom, is positioned near the southeast corner. The central portion of the dwelling is hip-roofed, with a railed deck at the peak. This is flanked on both sides by two short gable-flank extensions. The two rear wings are also gabled, and the entire roof is asphalt-covered. Two 3 X 3 gabled dormers are positioned on the western side of the hip roof. A box cornice lies underneath the entire roof structure. There are two massive porches, the first being a six-bay one across the eastern facade, sitting on brick pillars, and, an enclosed sunporch, nestled between the two wings on the western extreme. There are six brick chimneys, all of them original. Two are inside ends on the northern and southern extremes; two more are interior, positioned where the wings join the main house; and the last pair are interior, located on either side of the hip roof inside of the eastern edge of the roof.

The interior features a thru-hall with two main rooms on either side and connected rooms on the other side of them. The ceilings are quite high throughout, and the interior also contains doorway cornices and six marble fireplaces. Closets and cupboards flank each of the fireplaces.

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# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The tract that this land sits upon was part of Aquila Scott's property on which Bel Air was laid out in 1782. This land was held by Aquila Scott, then by Daniel and finally by Otho Scott. Otho was a prominent local lawyer who served as a state senator and also was one of the first to codify the laws of Maryland. After his death, the property was sold to Stevenson Archer, who constructed the existing home during the 1870's, in the same vein as his boyhood home in Tennessee. The outbuildings, at least the older ones, are older, dating from Otho Scott's time. This house is unique in that it represents a different style of architecture appearing in Harford County.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Harford County Land Records

Martenet's Map of 1878

Wright, C. Milton; Our Harford Heritage, 1967, French Bray, Baltimore.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY

56+

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

The tract is located on Vale Road, 0.3 miles west of Maryland State Route #24. It is bounded to the north by Vale Road, to the east by the Stoneleigh housing development, to the west by the U. S. Route 1 bypass and to the south by Hall Street.

**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Paul L. Penrod / site surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

July 12, 1976

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

267-1212

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

## THE OUTBUILDINGS

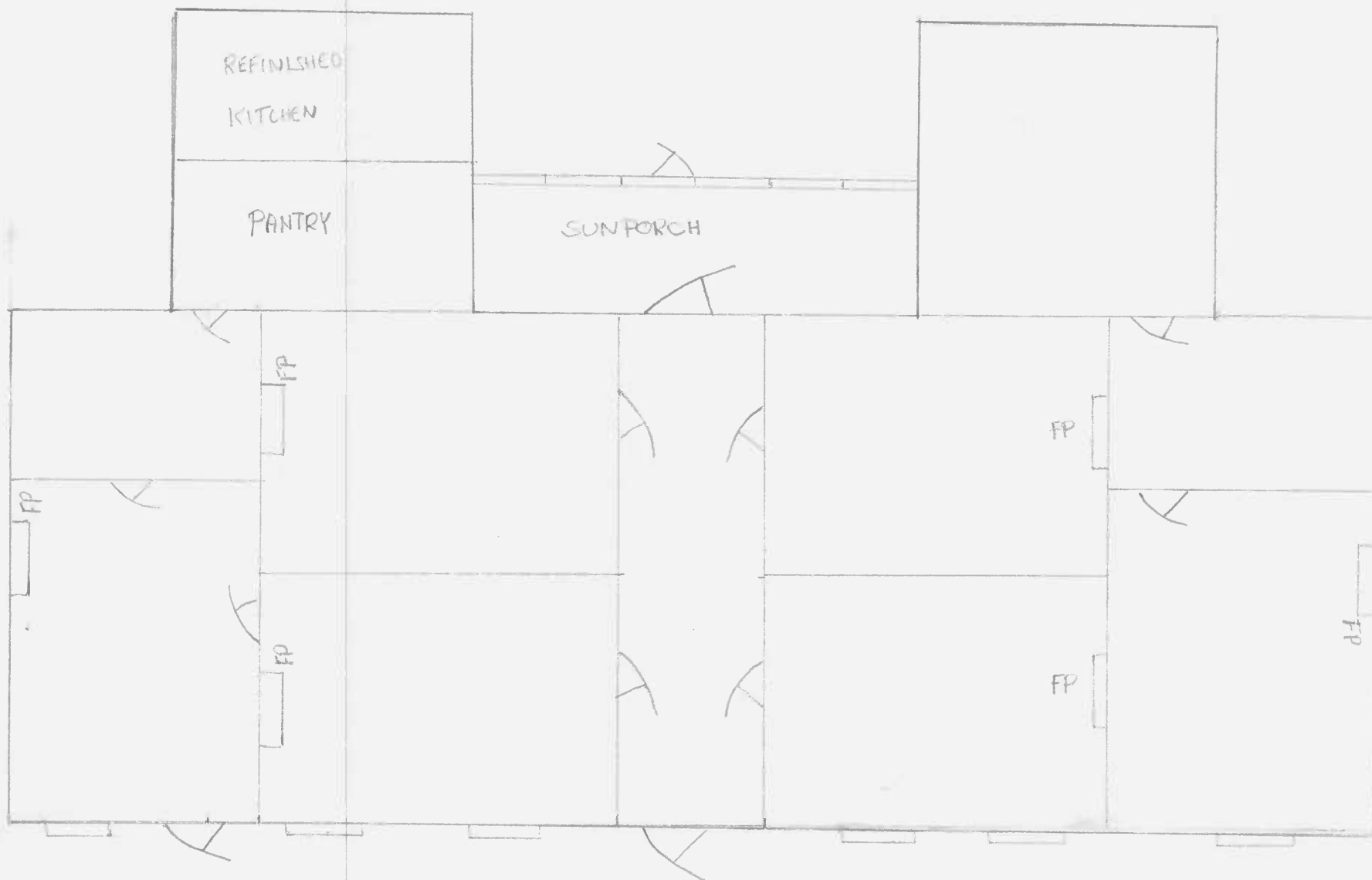
Just south of the main structure is the diminutive pump house, with board-and-batten walls upon a brick base. It measures one bay by one and has a hip roof. An icehouse once stood behind it, and just south of these two is the smokehouse, a one-bay by one structure with a stone first floor and a frame upper one. The door is on the south side and the roof is gable front. The oldest portion of the barn, opposite the smokehouse, dates from around 1860 and has interior construction of hand-cut beams and pegs. It has a stone foundation and vertical frame siding. West of this are two older stables of log frame, and north of this is a stone tenant house. This dwelling is T-shaped, with the southern part sunk into the hillside. The gabled roof is covered with wood shingles and the windows are 1 X 1.

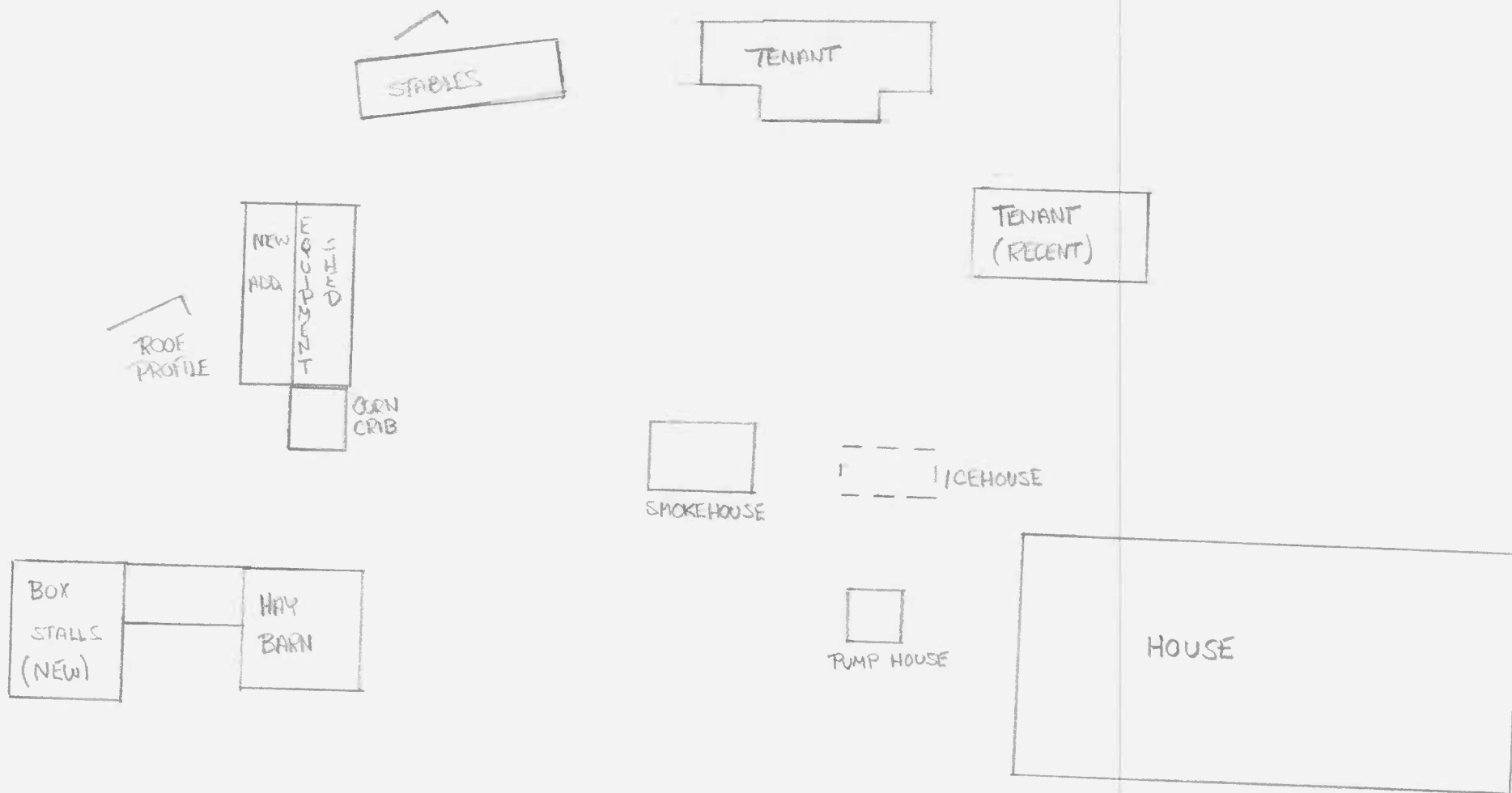
NOYES HOUSE



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GARAGE ATTACHED





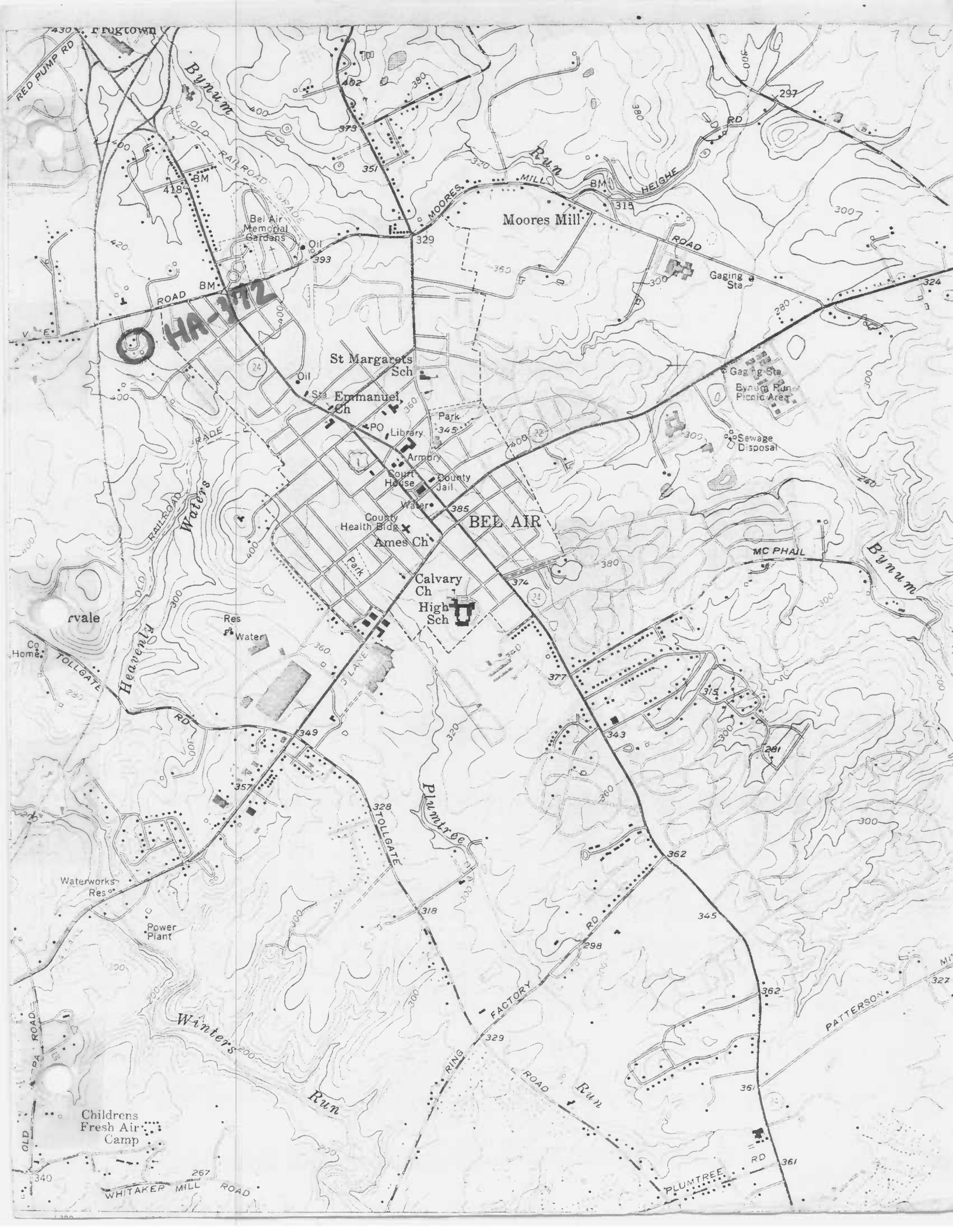
LAYOUT OF  
NOYES' BUILDINGS

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## TITLE SEARCH

<u>Libre</u>		<u>Folio</u>	
GCB	267	299	Victor P. Noyes acquired 39 acres, called Hazel Dell, from Phillip H. Close in 1941.
WSF	98	28	In 1899, Stevenson A. Williams, Frederick R. Williams and others conveyed to Philip Close 56½ acres and 28 perches.
ALJ	21	114	In 1868, Henry D. Farnandis, Samuel Scott and Daniel Scott sold <del>the</del> tract, called Scott's Improvement, to Stevenson Archer. The land was owned at one time by Otho Scott, and apparently Otho acquired the tract from Daniel Scott.
JLG	E	419	In 1784, Aquila Scott sold Daniel Scott a ½ acre section of Scott's Improvement. This is the only real concrete entry concerning the tract, but it can be safe to assume that the entire tract was Scott land throughout Aquila's, Daniel's and Otho's lifetimes.







Hazel Dell HA-372

Vale Road

Bel Air, MD

Paul Penrod

East side

8/76



Hazel Dell Pumphouse HA-372

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Bel Air, MD

Paul Penrod

East side

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Archer  
Voyes, house

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Noyes, <sup>Archer</sup> house

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